THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE L.NARASIMHA REDDY

WRIT PETITION No.1140 of 2006

Dated: 31-01-2006

Between:

I Hanuma Reddy, S/o.Venkata Reddy.

.. PETITIONER

AND

Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,

Prakasam District, and others.

.. RESPONDENTS

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ORDER:

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The petitioner states that he is the owner of a truck bearing No.AP 26 U 2786 and that it is registered with the Regional Transport Authority, Prakasham District, the first respondent herein. The petitioner intended to transfer the vehicle in the name of one Mr.Shaik Raheem and for that purpose he submitted necessary application in the prescribed form to the first respondent on 02-01-2006. The grievance of the petitioner is that the respondents are not taking any steps in the matter.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner.

The writ petition came up for admission on 24-01-2006. With a view to ascertain the grounds on which the request of the petitioner is not acceded to, the learned Government Pleader for Transport was granted time till today. It is reported by the learned Government Pleader that the respondents have not furnished information even when contacted in this regard.

The Motor Vehicles Act provides for registration of the ownership of vehicle as well as transfer thereof. Once the petitioner had submitted an application in the prescribed form together with necessary enclosures, the respondents are under obligation to effect transfer. If the application is defective in any respect, the respondents are under obligation to point out the same. There does not exist any justification for the respondents in keeping the application, submitted by the petitioner, pending.

The writ petition is, therefore, disposed of, directing the respondents herein to effect transfer of the vehicle of the petitioner, after due verification, within a period of one week from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. It is also directed that, in case, the respondents are of the view that the request of the petitioner cannot be acceded to, they shall pass reasoned order and communicate the same to the petitioner within that time. There shall be no order as to costs.

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31-01-2006

Note:

Issue C.C. in two days.

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